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Citizens' League Holds a Meeting

The Citizens' League held its regular monthly meeting in the city hall last Thursday evening, President Dier in the chair. The attendance was not so lgrge as it should have been, which was no doubt due to the fact that the meeting had not been advertised.

Secretary Wilson read the minutes of the last meeting, which were adopted.

The president addressed the league at some length. He drew attention to the signs of progress that were manifest everywhere. He spoke highly of the work that had been done by the council during the year, and referred to the fact that every promise that had been made to the league with regard to street improvements had been faithfully adhered to. The passage of the two by-laws for electric light and sewerage was commendable, and proved conclusively that the council was composed of men who were animated with the progressive spirit of the west. It was only now a case of disposing of the debentures, and then the finger of scorn could no longer be pointed at Ladysmith. The year had been one of gratifying progress, and now that the citizens had been leading the way, those who were heavily interested in real estate in the neighborhood of the city were helping along the good work. The clearing of the land tributary to the city by the C. P. R. was an instance of this. The C. P. R. company was not likely to spend all this money if they had not some plans for the settlement of these lands. President Dier had not the slightest doubt that within a year or so these lands would be surveyed and sold to those who intended to take up their residence here. They were beautifully located and would make ideal homes. There were also many reasons for believing that in the near future there would be established here many small manufacturing industries, so that the time was not far distant when Ladysmith would become an important industrial centre. It was incumbent on the citizens themselves to aid and assist in every possible way the development of the resources at their door. With a true progressive spirit abroad there need be no fear as to the future. Next year would be an important one in the history of the city, and it would be the duty of every man who had the future of the city at heart to assume his share of the responsibility in laying firm the foundation on which the future must rest.

President Dier's address was listened to with marked attention.

Secretary Wilson directed attention to the article in the last issue of The Ladysmith Chronicle, which advocated the insertion of a clause in all contracts let by the city for the building of the sewers to the effect that home manufactured material be used whenever possible. This was especially desirable in the matter of castings, etc. The men who worked in the local foundry spent their money in the city, and everything that helped the foundry helped the city. The principle was a good one, and should be generally adopted.

Other members spoke in the same strain.

The following letter to a private citizen was read by the secretary:

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 30th, 1903.

Dear Sir:—The members of this Board of Trade consider that the time has arrived for organizing an association which shall represent all the commercial interests of Vancouver Island, and at the last monthly general meeting appointed a special committee for that purpose.

The special committee have met and given instructions that you be asked to co-operate with them by having a representative appointed by the residents of your district. This course appears to be imperative if the fullest strength of the association is to be exercised, and there is no doubt that occasional meetings of business men so appointed can be made a very powerful factor in the development of Vancouver Island generally.

The scope of the proposed organization will have to be defined at a meeting of the delegates as no plan has so far been defined, and the question at the present time is an open one. There are many points upon which unanimous support may be expected; such, for instance, as:

Mail Service, freight and passenger rates and services, construction of roads and trails, surveys of Crown lands, development of the natural resources of each individual district, and all such non-contentious subjects,

A matter which should receive immediate attention is the collection and publication, in pamphlet form, of concise and accurate information in regard to the resources of Vancouver Island, for distribution at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, at Seattle, next year. This, too, is common ground on which all can unite with advantage and may serve as an initial proceeding of the proposed organization.

The committee will therefore be much obliged if you will give the matter your immediate attention, and await the favor of a reply, before the 10th proximo if possible; in which we hope you will give us the name of the gentleman who has been appointed, so that we can correspond with him at once.

Yours faithfully,

E. G. PRIOR,
Chairman Special Committee.
F. ELWORTHY, Secretary.

In the course of the discussion following the reading of the letter it was pointed out that such an association would have a marked influence in the development of the island resources, regret being expressed that the time was so short that it would be impossible for the league to select a delegate.

Other matters were discussed and it was decided to hold the next meeting on the evening of December 17th.

A peculiar occurrence took place at the mill of the Bowman Lumber company, Revelstoke, last week. It appears that the governor on the engine failed to work, causing the engine to speed up rapidly beyond the normal amount of revolutions per minute. This caused the big flywheel and other heavy pulleys to burst, causing considerable damage to the machinery and completely shutting down the plant.

Lovers of the game bird will be pleased to hear that it is the intention of the B. C. Game Protective Association to further improve the pheasants of this province by an importation of 25 Mongolian pheasants. These birds are now on the way out to this province and are expected to be here before many days. They are to be kept in confinement, while the eggs obtained from them are to be hatched out in due course.

The tug Georgian was in this morning en route to Prince Rupert with a barge on which were three locomotives, a steam shovel anh other railroad supplies for the G. T. P. The locomotives are mounted on freight cars, the steam shovels are on their own trucks, and these, together with the seven cars of miscellaneous plant, were loaded directly on the barge tracks. The eleven cars will be put ashore at Prince Rupert, and the barge will then return to New Westminster for another load. The Georgian is being towed by the Escort No. 2 of McKenzie Bros.' fleet. All the equipment will be used on the building of railway yards at Prince Rupert.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Miss E. Weismiller went down to Duncan this morning.

The steamship Wellington, for San Francisco, has been taking on coal at Ladysmith.

Dominion Steamer Quadra was in port yesterday morning, and left at noon for Victoria.

James Frew, late citizen of the United States, has made application for naturalization.

A meeting will be held at Duncan next Monday, with the object of organizing a Board of Trade.

The Vancouver Rugby team came over on the transfer this morning and left for Victoria by the train at 9 o'clock.

The Good Templars will attend the services in the Methodist Church tomorrow in a body. There will be a special service for the occasion.

J. H. Hawthornthwaite was a passenger from Victoria to Nanaimo today. He had nothing to say with regard to the political situation in his district.

The firemen held a meeting on Thursday night and decided to hold their annual ball on New Years night. Supper will be provided by Mrs. Decker, of the Ladysmith hotel. A five-piece orchestra will be engaged.

Harry Kay and Bruce McKelvie at the peril of their lives stopped a runaway horse on First avenue last Friday. It is understood that the Royal Humane Society will be asked to mark this instance of courage with a special medal.

Miss Beveridge and Miss Mebius went up to Nanaimo on the noon train.

A branch of the Bank of Hamilton may be opened at Penticton next month.

The children of the Methodist church are practising for their Christmas entertainment.

It is thought likely that the smelter will resume operations on or about December 10.

With increased storeroom J. A. Knight finds that he is better able to attend to the wants of his customers.

It is understood that Rev. Dr. Spencer, pastor of the First Baptist church, Victoria, will resign and organize the Local Option campaign for the Province.

Mr. R. Gear was a visitor to Vancouver this week. He went over and returned on the transfer, and speaks highly of the accommodations now provided for the travelling public between here and Vancouver.

Mr. John J. Bland was united in marriage to Mrs. Linda Tyner of Seattle, at the Presbyterian manse, by the Rev. Jas. McMillan, last Thursday evening. The Chronicle extends its heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bland.

Mr. Harry Davey, who has charge of the wireless instrument on the steamer Quadra, was in Ladysmith Friday morning. Mr. Davey was for twenty-one years in the C. P. R. Telegraphs service, and is held in high esteem by a large circle of friends.

What Will the Census Show?

Two of the most important events of the new Parliament will be the taking of the census for 1911 and the redistribution of the constituencies according to the census. For the first time the large increase of population due to the immigration of the last decade will be shown in the census and in the division of political power. The census of 1901 gave the West, between Ontario and the Rocky Mountains a population of 419,512. The special census of 1905 showed a population of 808,863. We may estimate the population of to-day at a million and a quarter. This, taking the unit of representation at 25,000, would give the Prairie Province a representation of fifty, instead of the present representation of twenty-seven, British Columbia will have ten or twelve instead of seven, and there may be an even larger increase in the Pacific Provinces, the development of which has only been begun. When the stream of immigration once sets in, it will be difficult to set bounds to the growth of British Columbia.

We may look forward, therefore, to the Parliament elected four or five years hence containing sixty or seventy members from the West, between the Red River and Pacific Ocean. The election will mark an epoch in the history of the country, for the House of Commons will for the first time contain a Western contingent numerous enough to convey some idea of the immense extent and resources of the country—not an adequate idea, but only a promise of what is coming. In the not very distant future the country west of the Great Lakes will elect as many representatives as the country to the east.

Hon. Dr. Young Visits Ladysmith

Hon. Mr. Young passed through the city this morning from Nanaimo to Victoria. Dr. Young has been investigating the recent cases of smallpox on the Island, with the object of taking every precaution against the spread of the disease. While in Ladysmith he met Dr. Frost and several other citizens, and from what he learned he was convinced that the few cases in Ladysmith had been properly attended to. In fact it was on account of the strictness in enforcing the health regulations that has left the city without one new case in over three weeks, which practically means that all danger is over. There are two cases at South Wellington, a young man named McFadden and another person who contracted the disease from him. These cases are understood to be receiving proper attention. There is one case at Yellow Point, and care has also been taken in this case to prevent further spread. Dr. Young stated that Dr. Fagan would make a tour of the Island at once, and give further instructions with regard to dealing with the various cases.

Looks Like a "Cinch" for Borden

Discussing the probability of the retirement of Mr. R. L. Borden as leader of the Opposition, the Okanagan, of Vernon, has the following interesting comment:

"There is an element of permanence in the unique position of a salaried leader of the opposition. From that position the only authority having power to depose him is the government, and the premier would scarcely be inclined to interfere. Once established in the position, there seems no constitutional means of removal. He might be defeated in his constituency, but it is by no means certain that he has not the right to hold office without a seat in the house. His followers in the house might desert him, but he is under no obligation to retain any proportionate support. Another aspirant might claim the emoluments of the position, but there would be no authority, other than the government, to decide between rivals. Technically the government seems to be responsible for the proper performance of the duties of a salaried opposition leader, for he is in a sense an official, though holding a seat. While the ministers are required to act as a unit and agree on lines of policy, a salaried opposition leader is under no correlated obligation to oppose the government in all things. It is no doubt understood that an opposition leader would forfeit his position by succeeding to office as premier, but without such a change it is by no means apparent how he could be deposed or reduced to the ranks. It is not contended that Mr. Borden depends on the unending nature of his portfolio in the Conservative party. His qualities raise him politically above his colleagues. But it is evident that serious complications would arise if the position were held by a man who had ceased to be acceptable to the opponents of the government."

Mr. Robert Smith met with a painful accident last Thursday while engaged in work at the Extension mines. Some coal fell down on top of him bruising him all over and crushing one foot. Mr. Smith is now at his home on Second avenue, and hopes to be able to go to work in a few days.

Victoria and Nanaimo Protested

The Colonist of this morning states: "The almost invariable aftermath of a closely contested election made its appearance yesterday in the shape of a protest against Barnard's election. The petition signed by one Peter Minckle and filed by Col. Gregory who put the necessary thousand dollar deposit with the registrar of the supreme court. The petition is of the stereotyped kind following the wording of the Controverted Elections act, but does not indicate the specific acts relied upon to invalidate the election. Mr. Barnard is not attacked personally and his disqualification is not demanded, the allegation being that all the dreadful things hinted at in the petition were done by agents. In the meantime Mr. Barnard is not in the least worried. He knows that he and his friends conducted as fair and square an election as ever was fought in Victoria, and while some such move was expected as a last, desperate resort, the Conservative candidate is not losing any sleep over the matter. It is possible that countercharges may be made. It is known that the Liberal organization made a free and corrupt use of money during the campaign, and there is a great deal of interesting evidence in the hands of the Conservative executive. This matter is now receiving the attention of Mr. Barnard and his advisers.

"A protest against the election of Ralph Smith has also been made, and in this case, too, the petition was filed yesterday. Like the Liberal petition it follows the general wording of the act, and does not go into specific details. What evidence may be in the hands of those who are protesting Ralph Smith's election is not known, but it is a matter of common knowledge that personation was rife at Esquimalt. Altogether it is excedingly possible that by the time all this litigation is concluded the Liberal majority at Ottawa will be reduced by one, and that a number of prominent Liberals will be exceedingly sorry that they spoke."

Proposed Colony of Army Officers

A gentleman who claims to be an authority says that it is the intention of the C. P. R. company to sell the lands which they are now clearing to a company composed of retired British Army officers. The object is to allot the land in such a way that these officers can secure one or five-acre blocks convenient to each other. In other words these officers have not enough income to live in England, and a home on Vancouver Island could be maintained at less cost.

The Merchants Employees' Association beg to announce to the public that the stores will be open all day Thursdays during December. They also take this opportunity to thank the employers and public for the benefit they have derived from the half holiday during the present year, and will very much appreciate a continuance of the same during 1909.

Manager Ward of the Telephone Company, yesterday completed stringing the wires for the farmers' line, and to-day he is putting in the telephones. This will be a great convenience to the farmers in the district, as they can now communicate with any place using a phone in the city or over the long distance phone to any of the cities on the coast.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The action taken by the Victoria Board of Trade, to hold a meeting at Victoria to discuss matters relating particularly to the commercial development of the island will be fully endorsed. The cities on Vancouver Island have been a little slow in this regard, and no doubt much good will be accomplished by an aggressive policy on the part of the Victoria Board of Trade. If it is not yet too late a delegate should be appointed from Ladysmith, for this city is deeply interested in the questions which the Board of Trade proposes to deal with. It is proposed to organize all the business interests throughout the Island, along the lines of the Associated Boards of Trade of Kootenay. In taking concerted action, it is believed that greater benefits may be accomplished that by one board acting independently.

The last issue of the Empire, John Houston's paper, has the following brief temperance sermon: "Prince Rupert is not a lawless town; few towns in British Columbia are. It is not lawless for its people are busy working at making a railway, at surveying a townsite, and in carrying on legitimate business enterprises. When not working they do not frequent bar-rooms, for no hotel, or restaurant, or lodging-house in Prince Rupert has a bar-room, and in none of them is 'cider,' 'Weiss Beer,' or 'Koop's Stout,' or other alcoholic soft drinks sold. The owners observe not only the letter, but the spirit of the law. Is it because of this observance of the law on the part of the owners of hotels, restaurants, and lodging-houses that Prince Rupert is so exceptionally free from disorder? This statement is one for thinking people to ponder over. The Prince Rupert of the future must be governed by people who think for themselves if it is to be a model city."

The Kingston Standard, discussing the possible retirement of Mr. R. L. Borden as leader of the Conservative party, says it knows of no men better qualified for leadership and for the formulation of a satisfactory Conservative policy than Whitney and McBride; Whitney as a leader, McBride as an associate. It says of them: "They are doers of things. They are Conservatives. They have each redeemed their provinces; they are men of Canada." It concludes with the statement that it does not think the Conservative party could do better than to turn to these men and put its faith and its trusts, its aspirations and its hopes, its future in their hands. "With them the party would have a leadership and we venture it a policy which four or five years hence would spell victory to the Conservative cause."

Judging by the amount of space devoted to advertising n the British Columbia papers, the merchants of this Province anticipate a prosperous business season. In some places the papers have been forced to increase their space by many pages to accommodate the advertisers.

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Plan to Reform the House of Lords

London, Dec. 3.—The report of the select committee of the House of Lords appointed to suggest a plan for the reform of the upper house was issued today. The committee finds it undesirable that the possession of a peerage should of itself give the right to sit and vote in the House of Lords, and it recommends that qualifications should be the main test of admission to the reformed house.

It then sets forth that all hereditary peers should be formed into an electoral body for the purpose of electing two hundred of their number to sit and vote as the Lords of Parliament, not for life but for a single parliament; that the spiritual lords of parliament be reduced to ten, to be elected by the bishops, the two archbishops sitting during the tenure of their sees, and the other eight for the duration of Parliament; that Canada, Australia New Zealand and South Africa have official representation in the House of Lords; that a number of hereditary peers, estimated at 130, possessing certain qualifications, should sit without the necessity of election, these to include men who have held the post of cabinet minister, viceroy, governor-general of any of the larger colonies, and naval and military officers of high rank, and that twenty years' service in the House of Commons shall entitle one to a seat among the peers.

This plan will give the reformed House of Lords about 350 members, namely three peers of the royal blood, 200 peers to be elected, about 130 qualified hereditary peers, 10 spiritual lords and 5 judges.

The subject of properly maintained isolation houses is one that affects all, for who can tell what day one of our friends or a member of our own family, may be by force of circumstances compelled to take up their residence there. Smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever and kindred diseases are bad enough to be stricken down with under the most favorable conditions, but when one must be by order of a health officer, at once taken away from home, there should be as good a place as is possible prepared to receive such patients. This we have not got in or about Nanaima. It is a place much as we may dislike the idea we may have soon to call in use. Would it not, therefore, be a wise precaution for our city council to look into the matter, and if conditions are as reported, bring about at an early day a radical chgnge, so that should the day of need come, we may have a clean and wholesome home ready for the unfortunates.—Nanaimo Herald.

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A Funeral at Rawhide

Like the events which propelled the pen of Brete Harte, was one which occurred recently at Rawhide, Nevada—the death and funeral of Riley Grannan, race track plunger and mining town saloon keeper. No stranger scene was described by the chronicler of the Argonauts than this funeral in the new town which is at the doors of civilization.

Shielded by an oilcloth blanket the coffin of Grannan was borne in a common express wagon down Rawhide avenue from the tent of the camp's undertaker. The services were held in a variety theatre in the rear of a saloon. Here gathered women in silks, men in corduroys, miners in grimy overalls, prospectors, merchants, brokers, bartenders and gamblers.

There was no regular minister to preach the funeral sermon. Friends of Grannan drafted Herman W Knickerbocker, formerly a Methodist preacher, who had been cast out of the fold for heresy. He had became a mine operator at Goldfield, and recently had been prospecting throughout Nevada and became a pioneer of the Rawhide district. He appeared beside the coffin, which was covered with lillies, in the rough and stained clothes of a miner, with high boots completing the costume. With his voice often breaking he delivered a strange discourse that brought tears to the eyes of many hardened ones among his hearers.

"I feel that it is inrumbent upon me now to state that in standing here I occupy no ministerial or prelate position," he said. "I am simply a prospector. I make no claim whatever to moral merit or religton, except the religion of humanity, the brotherhood of man. I stand among you to-day simply as a man among men, feeling that I can shake hands and say 'brother' to the vilest man or woman who ever lived.

"Riley Grannan accepted the circumstances surrounding him. He was a man whose exterior was as placid and gentle as I have ever seen, and yet when you look back over his meteoric past, we can readily understand, if this statement be true, that he was absolutely invincible in spirit. If you will allow me, I will use a phrase most of you are acquainted with. He was a 'dead game sport.' I say it not irreverently, but fill the phrase as full of practical human philosophy as it will hold, and I believe that when you can say one is a 'dead game sport' you have reached the climax of human philosophy.

"I know that there are those who will condemn him. There are those who believe to-day that he is reaping the reward of a misspent life There are those who are dominated by mediaeval creeds. To those I have no word to say in regard to him. They are ruled by the skeleton hand of a character who lived outside their puritanical ideas.

"His goodness was not of the type that reached its highest manifestations in any ceremonial piety. It was of the type that finds expression in the hand clasp, in a word of cheer to a discouraged brother, in quiet deeds of character, in friendship, the sweetest flower that blooms along the dusty highway of life; the type that finds expression in manhood.

"He lived in the world of sport. I do not mince my words. In the world of sport—hilarity sometimes, and maybe worse. He left the impress of his character on the world, and through the medium of his financial power he was able with his money to brighten the lives of its inhabitants. He wasted it, the world says.

"A little happiness brought into their lives means as much to them as happiness brought into the lives of the straight and good. If you can take one ray of sunlight into the night life and thereby bring them one single hour of happiness, I believe you are a benefactor. He may have wasted some of his money this way.

"Did you ever stop to think how God does not put all his sunbeams into corn, potatoes and flour? Did you ever notice the prodigality with which He scatters these sunbeams over the universe? Contemplate. God flings the auroral beauties around the cold shoulders of the earth, hangs the quivering picture above the palpitating heart of the desert. Wasted sunbeams are these?

"This may be infidelity, but if it is, I would like to know what faith means. I came into this universe without my volition—came and found a loving mother's arms to receive me. I had nothing to do with the preparation for my reception here, I have no power to change the environment of the future, but the same power which prepared the arms of the loving mother to receive me here will make the proper reception for me there. God knows better than I what is good for me, and I leave it with God."

After the sermon there was a touch of civilization, for the body was taken on a motor to be shipped back to Kentucky. Knickerbocker, who had been little known before, became the hero of the little camp.

Hints for the Home.

Leaks in Gas Pipes.—A leak in a gas pipe may be located without the use of a light by painting the pipe with soap and water. Bubbles will indicate where the leak is.

To Remove Insect Specks.—Insect specks may be removed from gilded picture frames by dipping a soft camel's-hair brush in alcohol and applying it to the spots.

To Heat Plates.—To make dinner plates and dishes hot before sending to the table, dip them in very hot water instead of putting them in the oven. This takes only a little more time than putting them in the oven.

Polishing Wood.—Take a piece of pumice stone and water and pass it regularly over the wood until the rising of the grain is cut down; then take powdered tripoli and boiled linseed oil and polish to a bright surface.

To Keep a Coal Fire Over Night.—Lift the lid on the top of the stove or open the little draft at the top of the fire-box; this will allow cold air to enter, pass over the upper surface of the coal, chill it and prevent rapid burning. As this is imperfect combustion great care must be taken to have the chimney flue open, that the products of combustion may not come out into the room.

To Mend Kitchen Utensils.—To mendleaks in kitchen utensils, use fresh putty and work it until soft. Scrape the tin around the leak until it is perfectly clean, then take a little of the putty, press over the leak hard enough to force a portion of it through on the opposite side of the vessel, smooth both sides down nicely, set aside two or three days until it becomes perfectly hard. Leaks in the wash boiler can be effectually stopped in this way.

To Wash Stockings.—All kinds of stockings require careful washing. No soda should be used, and the water should be only be moderately warm for both washing and rinsing. After the rinsing, which should be done in water containing a few drops of liquid ammonia, dry them quickly out of doors in a good current of air, and press them with a warm iron when dry. Silk stockings require several rinsings, and after pressing (not ringiog) the water out of them, and pulling them in shape, they should be shaken out and well rolled in a dry cloth to dry.

Stair Carpets.—When buying stair carpets always allow three-quarters to a yard over for each flight of stairs, and then when the carpet is lifted the same parts do not come on the edge of the stairs. By remembering this plan and allowing the extra piece the carpets will last half as long again.

To Clean Mother-of-Pearl.—Mother-of-pearl may be cleaned by being washed with whiting and cold water. Use neither soap nor soda.

To Keep Silver Bright.—A few drops of ammonia in the water in which silver is washed will keep it bright. This should always be done with plated ware, as frequent rubbings wear off the plate.

It seems that only yesterday we were reading about hundreds of freight cars standing idle on sidings all over the continent owing to the depression in business, and now a great clamor is raised in western Canada against the shortage of these necessary facilities for transportation. At some points in the wheat-growing provinces the situation, for this reason, is said to be very grave. —Victoria Colonist.

CHRISTMAS GOODS

We have just received a fine consignment of Post Card Albums and a new stock of Christmas Stationery. Come and see us.

HARRY HUGHES

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision on the Voters' List will be held in the Council Chamber, Ladysmith, on Monday, 21st December, 1908, at 2 p. m.

JOHN STEWART, C. M. C.
Ladysmith, B. C., 24th Nov., 1908.

Fall Clearing

In order to clear off this summer's stock of Wall Paper I will dispose of this season's patterns at a greatly reduced rate.

J. E. SMITH, Roberts Street

For the Holidays

CHRISTMAS CARDS,
CHRISTMAS POST CARDS,
FOUNTAIN PENS,
PIPES of all descriptions,
CIGAR and CIGARETTE HOLDERS,
CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES.
LADIES' and GENTS' TOILET SETS in Ebony and Sterling Silver.

Also the largest assortment of Silverware in plate and sterling, Cut Glass, etc., in town.

We have no prizes to give but we can certainly give you your money's worth on every article that is purchased at our store.

LADYSMITH PHARMACY

Christmas Is Coming. Are You Prepared for It?

WE ARE

We have just received our advance stock of Christmas Toys, Novelties, Christmas Cards, Etc. Deal where you get the best value and that's

AT

McKELVIE BROS., First Avenue, Ladysmith

SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

There are but few things more acceptable or more appreciated as a gift than something in the Jewellery line. It need not be expensive to be good and artistic. You can get Christmas presents in our store from $1 up, and whether you spend $1 or $100 you will be treated as fairly and as cheerfully. Here are a few suggestions:

Watches

Ladies' and Gentlemen's in a nice plush case. We have them in filled or 14k solid.

Brooches

We have a large assortment. Beautiful designs in gold filled at from $1.00 to 45.00, or in 14k solid, from $3.50, $5.00, $7.00, $9.00 up to $35.00.

Rings

We have got in a special line for Christmas, ranging from $2.50 right up to expensive ones at $250.00.

Bracelets

A gift always appreciated by the Ladies. We can supply them in Expansion, Nethersole, Woven or Bead, in gold filled or gold. Some beauties in 14k solid, set with pearls, from $18.00 to $30.00.

Manicure Sets

We have a nice line of Manicure Sets in ebony or pearl. Ladies' and Gentlemen's 3-piece sets, brush, comb and mirror, in handsome cases, individual mirrors, brushes, etc., in best French ebony.

Limoges China, Cut Glass, Silverware, Clocks, etc.

REMEMBER! Every dollar spent with us gives you a chance to draw the Diamond Ring. Also a guess at the Beans, to win the Gold Watch.

P. G. NOOT, Jeweller and Optician

"PINTO" TOUGHNESS

Almost the toughest thing in the whole of creation is a "pinto" Broncho when he is in fighting humor Now his hide is just as tough as he is, and the part above his hips is the very toughest and most pliable—it is the "shell."

That is the part used to make the famous "Pinto" Shell Cordovien Mitts and Gloves.

Wind, rain, tear, rip, scorch and boil-proof—almost wear proof.

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Letterheads, Billheads,
Noteheads, Statements,
Menu Cards,
Business Cards,
Menus, Programmes,
Visiting Cards,
Envelopes,
Dodgers, Posters,
Circulars, Shipping Tags,
Receipt Books, Etc., Etc.

Ladysmith Chronicle

ON DISPLAY

We are showing our new CHRISTMAS CHINA AND NOVELTIES and we have a stock this year which is larger, better and cheaper than ever before come in and look around our store.

3--Big Specials--3

1. Men's Fancy Dress Shirts. Regular $1.50 and 1.75 TONIGHT....$ 95
2. Men's allwool Flannel Shirt with reversible collars. Regular $1.50 TONIGHT..... 95
3. Men's Lambs wool underwear in Soft Stripes Regular $2.50 TONIGHT..... 1 90

BLAIR & ADAM

THIS IS THE LAST DAY FOR SHOE SPECIALS.

THE EMPIRE CAFE

548 JOHNSON ST., VICTORIA

Meals 20 Cents and Up.

Best 25 Cent Meal in Victoria for 20 Cents. Patronize White Labor by eating here. Special atteniion given to tourists and visitors, who are cordially welcome. We keep the Celebrated Grand Duke Cigar.

GEORGE BRUGGY, MANAGER.

Useful Christmas Presents

We want to clean out our stock of Chinaware and glassware this month.

Many lines we will sell for cost, and some lines below cost.

Ladysmith Hardware Company

FOR SALE

Small ranch, 10 acres of good fruit land midway between Ladysmith and Chemainus. Apply at

C. Gardner's Grocery
Esplanade

Wood for Sale.

Splendid mill wood for sale at Ladysmith Lumber yard, at a low price. Apply to

P. INKSTER.

BEAVEN'S PLATE LIFTERS

You can lift a plate from a red hot stove without burning your hands.

The greatest household device ever invented.

C. GARDNER,
Agent for Ladysmith, Esplanade.

FOR SALE—3 Lights Vapor Gasoline Lighting System. Perfect condition. Hooper, Ladysmith.

Local and General.

Mr. Frank Shepherd went down to Victoria yesterday morning.

The congregation of the Methodist Church expect to have a social on Jan. 1st, 1909.

Rev. Mr. Fawcett, of Nanaimo, will conduct services in St John's Mission Church to-morrow.

Mrs. W. R. Smith and Mrs. John J. Bland went down to Victoria yesterday morning en route to Seattle.

Electric lights have been placed on the Wellington Colliery Co.'s wharf, which will be a great aid to navigation.

See our stock of Christmas Cards. Over 2,000 to choose from. Sample cards. No two alike. Ladysmith Hardware Company.

Chilliwack is to have the next British Columbia School Teachers' convention. The meeting will be held early next September.

King, the photographer, who has been doing business in Nanaimo for the past three years has opened a studio in Ladysmith, in the wicholson block.

Mr. William Jack, of Nanoose Bay, died in the hospital at Nanaimo Thursday. He was 69 years of age and had resided on the Island for forty years.

The government has decided to construct a wharf at Prince Rupert. It will be built opposite Market Square, the central piece of waterfront belonging to the province.

The new court house at Nelson is now ready for occupancy. It cost about $80,000, and is better in many respects than many buildings in the Province that cost twice that amount.

We have the best line in the city of pipes, cigar-holders, cigarette-holders, cigar cases, smoking sets, and everything the smoker needs. Just the thing for Christmas presents. Ladysmith Hardware Company.

Miss Lizzie Wilkinson, daughter of Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, has been in the hospital for several weeks at Vernon. Word was received this morning that she is now convalescent, and will be able to resume her duties as trained nurse in a few weeks.

Mr. Maxwell Smith, of the agricultural depatment complains that some of the Nanaimo apple growers are not complying with the regulations with regard to packing, and unless they change their methods there may be some prosecutions.

We Have a Large Stock of

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND CALENDERS

Knight's Book Store
1st Ave. Ladysmith

New Stock of Wall Paper

JUST ARRIVED

ELEGANT DESIGNS AND COLORINGS

FINE LOT OF PICTURE MOULDINGS. ALL THE LATEST PATTERNS.

BRING YOUR PICTURES HERE TO BE FRAMED.

HARRY KAY, First Avenue

Dr. R. B. Dier
Surgeon Dentist

ALL WORK GUARANTEED

FOR SALE—Smart's second-hand range. Good as new.
McINTYRE FOUNDRY CO.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Applications for the position of City Auditor, stating remuneration, will be received by the undersigned up till Monday evening, 7th Dec., 1908.

J. STEWART, C. M. C.

YOUR PHOTO

made by a first-class artist will make a very suitable Christmas remembrance.

King, the phatographer, has opened a new up-to-date photo studio in the Nicholson block. We guarantee to please you. Bring in your coupons and leave your order for your photo mirror.

METHODIST CHURCH SABBATH SERVICES.

Morning, 11 a. m.; evening, 7 p. m.; Sabbath school, 2:30 p. m. Evening Good singing. Bright service. All subject: "The True Value of a Man." ars cordially invited to attend.

R. WILKINSON, Pastor.

YOUNG MEN'S CLUB.

The Young Men's Club meets tonight in the Methodist Church at 7 p. m.

R. WILKINSON, President.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Bible Class and Sunday School at 2 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m. Subject for Sunday evening service: "Local Option."

J. McMILLAN, Pastor.

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HOOD'S AMERICAN MADE RUBBER GOODS

The Best Made

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Agent for the Celebrated English "K" Boot.

"SOME PUMPKINS"

Have you seen those two pumpkins in our window?

Do you think you can guess how many seeds there are in each?

We are going to give a prize of $10 worth of groceries to the one guessing the nearest number of seeds in the large one, and $5 to the one guessing the nearest number in the small one.

Every dollar spent with us from Saturday, November 21, on until New Year's Eve entitles you to a guess.

You might win both prizes if you are a good guesser.

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Cooked Ham a Specialty

FRESH EASTERN EGGS, 3 DOZEN FOR $1.00

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